

REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended to correct a typographical error. A Notice of Appeal and Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review is being filed concurrently herewith. Entry of the Amendment is respectfully requested as placing the claims in better form for consideration on appeal.

In the Advisory Action dated March 6, 2006, the Examiner declined to enter the same amendment to claim 1 proposed herein, as raising new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. However, the amendment merely seeks to correct a typographical error and does not change the scope of the claims. Thus, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and to enter the Amendment to advance prosecution.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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